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**From:** David Collins <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** 12 April 2016 20:25  
**To:** Judith Blakeman  
**Subject:** FW: Grenfell Tower

Judith, do you think there are particular residents Monica ought to meet with?

Turufat is going to approach a couple of people she knows. I was thinking to approach Disson, and also the disabled woman who had such a terrible situation last year too. Is there anyone you would think it would be worth her meeting, who we could approach and ask if they would speak to Monica?

David

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**From:** Monica Press [REDACTED]  
**Reply-To:** Monica Press [REDACTED]  
**Date:** Tuesday, 12 April 2016 at 09:42  
**To:** David Collins <[REDACTED]>  
**Subject:** Re: Grenfell Tower

I quite understand and apologies for nagging but do want to have seen the problems before reporting back to the Housing Scrutiny Committee.

I can be free any Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri and Sat morning or Sunday after 3 until the end of the month.

Many thanks

Monica Press  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** David Collins <[REDACTED]>  
**To:** Monica Press [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, 11 April 2016, 23:59  
**Subject:** Re: Grenfell Tower

Dear Monica,

Likewise, sorry for the slow response. I have had family staying [REDACTED] and much is developing with my work which leads me to be very busy and focused.

Tomorrow is a Grenfell Tower Compact (RA) meeting. I am going to share your email with the members and will get back to you soon. If you could suggests some dates and times you are available in the next three weeks that might be useful.

David

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**From:** Monica Press [REDACTED]  
**Date:** Tuesday, 29 March 2016 at 14:18  
**To:** David Collins <[REDACTED]>  
**Subject:** RE: Grenfell Tower

Dear David,

My apologies I have left it so long to contact [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] I hope you are well.

I am still very keen to visit some residents (who still have complaints about the refurbishment of GT and whose boilers or other internal work are below standard or dangerous for children) and before I deliver my visit report to the Housing Scrutiny Committee in May. As we are in purdah for the mayoral elections I have less meetings and can probably be free any weekday morning or weekends, so if you would be kind enough to send me some days and dates I would be very grateful.

It would be great to meet you at the same time and talk but if you find it difficult to take time off work then if I have the names and addresses of the residents I can visit I can do the visit alone or if you want to put me in direct touch with them I can arrange times and days suitable for them.

Thank you very much.

Monica Press

Monica Press  
Colville Ward Cllr  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** David Collins [[mailto:\[REDACTED\]](#)]  
**Sent:** 18 January 2016 12:37  
**To:** Monica Press [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** Judith Blakeman [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Re: Grenfell Tower

Hi Monica,

I am available on the 5th February. Would you be able to talk by phone in the next week, so that I can better understand who you would like to meet, etc?

David

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**From:** Monica Press [REDACTED]  
**Date:** Sunday, 17 January 2016 at 18:21  
**To:** David Collins <[REDACTED]>  
**Cc:** Judith Blakeman [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** FW: Grenfell Tower

Dear David,

Thanks very much for offering to meet with me and arrange that I can visit more residents and flats at Grenfell Tower.

I am available Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> and Friday 5<sup>th</sup> February for a visit anytime of the day, but could also do that weekend if preferred.

I look forward to hearing from you.

All the best

Monica Press  
Councillor: Colville Ward.

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**From:** Judith Blakeman [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 15 January 2016 09:18  
**To:** Monica Press [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** FW: Grenfell Tower

FYI

Judith

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**From:** Judith Blakeman [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 15 January 2016 09:18  
**To:** 'David Collins'  
**Subject:** Grenfell Tower

That would be great. I will give Monica your details and then leave it to her to liaise with you. Marcio or Turufat would be excellent choices, maybe Turufat as she might find it easier to liaise with the many women who were at home during the works.

Judith

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**From:** David Collins [[mailto:\[REDACTED\]](mailto:[REDACTED])]  
**Sent:** 15 January 2016 08:54  
**To:** Judith Blakeman  
**Subject:** Re: Grenfell Tower: Speech to Housing & Property Scrutiny Committee

Yes, I would be happy to meet with her and to visit some residents with her.

Maybe we can set it up so I can do that with Marcio or Turufat, who are also lead reps.

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Sent from my iPhone

On 15 Jan 2016, at 06:54, Judith Blakeman [REDACTED] wrote:

Edward unfortunately was rather unpleasant to my colleague Cllr Monica Press as she was leaving the scrutiny visit to the Tower.

What she suggests is that she meets up with one or two of you and visits some of the residents who have and are experiencing problems to get a more balanced picture of what is and has been happening. For example, the HIU hallway installation in the one bedroomed flat that was shown to the scrutiny team only protruded by about one inch; whereas the one I saw in Betty's flat sticks out significantly. Apparently the "tame" residents of the two bedroomed flat they saw were a bit more assertive about the problems they had experienced.

I suggested Monica contacted you rather than Eddie if you wish to take up this offer, so can you let me know? I can certainly suggest some residents that she should visit as I am sure you can too. The purpose of this is that Monica will probably be the Labour Group rep on the scrutiny working group when it is set up.

Kind regards.

Judith

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**From:** David Collins [mailto:\[REDACTED\]](#)  
**Sent:** 14 January 2016 23:05  
**To:** Judith Blakeman  
**Subject:** Fwd: Grenfell Tower: Speech to Housing & Property Scrutiny Committee

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** David Collins <[REDACTED]>  
**Date:** 14 January 2016 at 22:58:38 GMT  
**To:** "BORWICK, Victoria" <[victoria.borwick.mp@parliament.uk](mailto:victoria.borwick.mp@parliament.uk)>  
**Cc:** Edward [REDACTED] William Thompson  
[REDACTED] Marcio [REDACTED] Turufat  
[REDACTED] hanan wahabi [REDACTED] Antonio  
[REDACTED] John Sweeney <[john.sweeney@parliament.uk](mailto:john.sweeney@parliament.uk)>  
**Subject:** Re: Grenfell Tower: Speech to Housing & Property Scrutiny Committee

Dear Victoria,

You are right about the need to continue to press. Please could you ask the members of the housing & property scrutiny committee to take the problems of Grenfell Tower residents seriously, and to investigate them. My experience of the committee was that some members considered there may be some serious problems, but others (the Chair included) did not act or respond like they truly believed or heard what we had to report. Please could you take the opportunities you have to speak personally when around Hornton Street, and to share your experience of hearing first hand from a few residents. The Chair promised to set up a working group to look in to the project, but no timescale was given. Your intervention could make all the difference to the timing and seriousness of the scrutiny which takes place.

Thank you,



David

Sent from my iPhone

On 14 Jan 2016, at 12:13, BORWICK, Victoria <[victoria.borwick.mp@parliament.uk](mailto:victoria.borwick.mp@parliament.uk)> wrote:


Dear Mr Collins,

John has passed this to me. Thank you for keeping us up to date with it - we must obviously continue to press for ongoing improvements for you all.

Kind regards,  
Victoria

Victoria Borwick MP

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**From:** David Collins [<mailto:>   
**Sent:** 08 January 2016 16:46  
**To:** SWEENEY, John  
**Cc:** BORWICK, Victoria; Edward Daffarn; William Thompson; Marcio Gomes; hanan wahabi; Turufat; anton  
**Subject:** Grenfell Tower: Speech to Housing & Property Scrutiny Committee  
Dear John,

Please could you ensure Victoria is aware of the speech which Edward Daffarn gave to the Housing & Property Scrutiny Committee this week, on behalf of Grenfell Tower residents and the Grenfell Tower residents association.

Lead Representatives of the Grenfell Tower RA will be meeting next week, and we will be back in touch with you shortly after that.

Best Wishes,

David Collins  
On behalf of the Grenfell Tower RA